

8 signal and in said second communication mode using a
9 radiofrequency signal, wherein said first and second devices
10 transceive a plurality of messages therebetween in said second
11 communication mode at least when the first device has a remote
12 location with respect to a range of the second device in the
13 first communication mode; and

14 wherein, prior to transceiving a security message
15 therebetween, said first and second devices switch transceiving
16 to said first communication mode, and transmit said security
17 message in said first communication mode.

1 3. The communications system according to claim 1, wherein
2 said first and second devices, upon completion of the
3 transceiving of said security message, switch transceiving
4 therebetween to said second communication mode.

1 4. The communications system according to claim 1, wherein
2 said security message comprises a plurality of encryption keys
3 for the subsequent encryption of a plurality of said messages
4 transceived in said second communication mode.

1 5. The communications system according to claim 1, wherein
2 upon said second device switching said transceiving to said first
3 communication mode, said second device transmits an infrared
4 request message to said first device.

1 6. The communication system according to claim 5, wherein
2 said first device, upon receipt of said infrared request message,
3 transmits said security message to said second device.

1 7. The communication system according to claim 6, wherein
2 said security message comprises a plurality of encryption keys
3 for the subsequent encryption of a plurality of said messages
4 transceived in said second communication mode.

1 8. The communication system according to claim 1, wherein
2 said transceiving means within said first device comprises:

3 infrared transceiving means for transceiving infrared
4 signals with said second device in said first communications
5 mode;

6 radiofrequency transceiving means for transceiving
7 radiofrequency signals with said second device in said second
8 communications mode; and

9 switching means for switching between said infrared and
10 radiofrequency transceiving means.

1 9. The communication system according to claim 8, wherein
2 said infrared transceiving means comprises:

3 a photodetector for receiving said infrared signals
4 from said second device; and

5 an infrared emitter for transmitting said infrared
6 signals to said second device.

1 10. The communication system according to claim 1, wherein
2 said second device comprises a transceiving means therein, said
3 transceiving means within said second device comprising:

4 infrared transceiving means for transceiving said
5 infrared signals with said first device in said first
6 communications mode;

7 radiofrequency transceiving means for transceiving said
8 radiofrequency signals with said first device in said second
9 communications mode; and

10 switching means for switching between said infrared and
11 radiofrequency transceiving means.

1 11. The communication system according to claim 10, wherein
2 said infrared transceiving means within said second device
3 comprises:

4 a photodetector for receiving said infrared signals
5 from said first device; and

6 an infrared emitter for transmitting said infrared
7 signals to said first device.

1 12. The communication system according to claim 1, wherein
2 said communication system is a cordless system.

1 13. The communication system according to claim 1, wherein
2 said first and second devices are each selected from the group

3 consisting of:

4 mobile telephones, home base stations, SIM cards,
5 headsets, computers, printers, plotters, projectors, facsimile
6 devices, pagers, data organizers, computer terminals, scanners,
7 microphones, PC cards, televisions, radios, stereos, VCRs, light
8 devices, dimmers, thermostats, doors, refrigerators, freezers,
9 ovens, washers, dryers, answering machines, home alarms, car
10 alarms, and other peripheral and portable devices.

1 14. The communication system according to claim 1, wherein
2 said first and second devices communicate on a radiofrequency
3 band ranging from about 2.4 GHz to about 2.483 GHz.

1 15. The communication system according to claim 14, wherein
2 said band is at about 2.45 GHz.

1 27. (Twice Amended) A transceiving device for secure
2 wireless communications in a communications system, said device
3 comprising:

4 radiofrequency transceiving means for transceiving a
5 plurality of radiofrequency transmissions within said
6 communications system;

7 infrared transceiving means for transceiving a
8 plurality of infrared transmissions within said communications
9 system, wherein said transceiving device switches transceiving
10 from said radiofrequency transceiving means to said infrared

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11 transceiving means prior to the transmission of an infrared
12 security message within said communications system; and
13 wherein at least one of the plurality of radiofrequency
14 transmissions occurs when the transceiving device has a remote
15 location with respect to an infrared transceiving station in the
16 communications system.

1 28. The transceiving device according to claim 27, wherein
2 said infrared transceiving means comprises:

3 a photodetector for receiving said infrared
4 transmissions; and

5 an infrared emitter for transmitting said infrared
6 transmissions.

1 29. The transceiving device according to claim 28, wherein
2 said infrared emitter comprises a light-emitting diode.

1 31. The transceiving device according to claim 27, wherein,
2 after the transmission of said infrared security message, said
3 transceiving device switches transceiving to said radiofrequency
4 transceiving means.

1 32. The transceiving device according to claim 27, wherein
2 said infrared security transmission comprises a plurality of
3 encryption keys for the subsequent encryption of a plurality of
4 said radiofrequency transmissions between said transceiving
5 device and said communications system.

1 33. The transceiving device according to claim 27, wherein
2 said first and second devices are each selected from the group
3 consisting of:

4 mobile telephones, home base stations, SIM cards,
5 headsets, computers, printers, plotters, projectors, facsimile
6 devices, pagers, data organizers, computer terminals, scanners,
7 microphones, PC cards, televisions, radios, stereos, VCRs, light
8 devices, dimmers, thermostats, doors, refrigerators, freezers,
9 ovens, washers, dryers, answering machines, home alarms, car
10 alarms, and other peripheral and portable devices.

1 34. The transceiving device according to claim 27, wherein
2 said first and second devices communicate on a radiofrequency
3 band ranging from about 2.4 GHz to about 2.483 GHz.

1 35. The transceiving device according to claim 34, wherein
2 said band is at about 2.45 GHz.